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EXHIBITS IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR ORDER APPROVING AGREEMENT RELATING TO RELIEF FROM STAY (DOMINGUEZ)

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pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 362 (the "Stipulation"). The Stipulation is made with reference to the following:

## RECITALS

- 1. On September 30, 2017, TRMC commenced a voluntary case under chapter 9 of title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of California ("Petition Date").
- 2. Plaintiffs wish to commence an action in the Tulare County Superior Court against TRMC ("Lawsuit"), seeking damages for the tort of negligence resulting in wrongful death allegedly caused by TRMC prior to the filing of the bankruptcy case ("Malpractice Claim").
  - 3. TRMC denies the allegations made by Plaintiffs in the Lawsuit.
- 4. TRMC and Plaintiffs (collectively "the Parties") have agreed to allow the Automatic Stay to be modified pursuant to the terms and conditions stated herein.

## STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to Court approval, the parties hereby stipulate and agree as follows:

5. The Automatic Stay shall be modified such that Plaintiffs shall be permitted to commence and prosecute the Lawsuit to settlement or judgment against TRMC and/or the other defendants in the Lawsuit for the purposes of determining the liability and damages, if any, of TRMC and/or the other defendants with respect to the Malpractice Claim;

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6. Plaintiffs' recovery against TRMC in the Lawsuit, if any, shall be limited to any proceeds available under any insurance policy, policies, or any liability coverage contracts<sup>1</sup>, as the case may be, if any, applicable to Plaintiffs' Malpractice Claim, and not from TRMC's assets.

- 7. Further, Plaintiffs waive their right to collect the first \$100,000 of any settlement or judgment resulting from the Lawsuit against TRMC (representing TRMC's deductible under the Policy).
- 8. Accordingly, should Plaintiffs prevail in the Lawsuit as against TRMC any recovery by Plaintiffs against TRMC shall be limited to applicable insurance, or the Policy, if any, and shall further be limited by Plaintiffs' waiver of rights to collect the first \$100,000 of any settlement or judgment against TRMC as set forth above. The Lawsuit will not be prosecuted for the purpose of reaching the assets of TRMC other than applicable insurance and/or the Policy.
- 9. Therefore, it is agreed that the Automatic Stay pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 362 be vacated as to allow commencement and prosecution of the Lawsuit on the terms and conditions provided above.
- 10. Any amendment to this Stipulation shall be made in writing, signed by the Parties, and approved by the Court.

<sup>1</sup> TRMC is a member of a risk-sharing pool (the "Policy"). Pursuant to California Government Code sections 6500 et seq., TRMC is a member of a risk-sharing pool (the "Policy"). Pursuant to California Government Code sections 6500 et seq., and sections 990 et seq., BETA Healthcare Group Risk Management Authority ("BETA") administers the pool under a joint powers agreement. BETA and TRMC have entered into a Stipulation for Assumption of the BETA Policy Assumption of the BETA Policy pursuant to the Stipulation was authorized by the Court of Order dated January 26, 2018.

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11. The Parties stipulate to entry of an order approving this Stipulation subject to compliance with FRBP 4001, if required. IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED. <u>March 16,2018</u> BARADAT & PABOOJIAN, INC. Daniel R. Baradat, Attorneys for Plaintiffs, Joe O. Dominguez, Mary Rose Dominguez, Cerene R. Olivera, Steven J. Juiderweg, a minor, by and through his Guardian Ad Litem, Amanda Zuiderweg March 26 WALTER WILHELM LAW GROUP, a Professional Corporation 17 18 19 Danielle J. Bethel, Attorneys for Debtor, Tulare Local Healthcare District, dba 20 Tulare Regional Medical Center 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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1 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Motion be 2 approved and said Stipulation attached to this Order as Exhibit "A" shall be, and hereby 3 is, adopted as the Order of this Court. 4 5 Presented by: 6 WALTER WILHELM LAW GROUP 7 a Professional Corporation 8 9 10 Danielle J. Bethel. Attorneys for Debtor, Tulare Local 11 Healthcare District, dba Tulare Regional **Medical Center** 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 Dated: United States Bankruptcy Judge 23 24 25 26 27 28 ORDER APPROVING AGREEMENT RELATING TO RELIEF -2-